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- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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Serial No. 09/817,096

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Title: METHOD FOR ENCODING A STREAM OF BITS OF A BINARY SOURCE :

SIGNAL INTO A STREAM OF BITS OF A BINARY CHANNEL SIGNAL

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Sir:

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION mailed on May 7, 2001, enclosed is a Declaration, properly signed by the Applicants and referring to the above case by its Serial Number and filing date, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, and a copy of the Notice. Accordingly, the above-identified patent application is now complete.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$130.00 for the surcharge for filing the Declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application, as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e).

Respectfully submitted,

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